HUNTER HALL

PREPARATORY & PRE-SCHOOL

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It's the penultimate week of term, and summer holidays are just around the corner. We have now all come down to earth after watching three magnificent performances of The Lion King and this week Year 6 have enjoyed a residential over to Northumberland. They were incredibly lucky to have a pod of dolphins follow them as they went to visit the Farne Islands by boat – we have included the footage in this newsletter for you to see for yourself – it's really quite amazing and I'm so glad they all got to experience it. Please click here.

There have been lots of other things going on at school to this week too including a medieval banquet in Year 1 as they celebrated their end of topic, and an impromptu music workshop for Years 2 to 5 as they learned to sing a song from the musical Annie – It's a hard knock life, with the help of Mrs Gilbertson and our two guests Zoe and Honor, who were amazing in inspiring the children to take part in musical theatre. You will see a piece of what they have learnt at prize-giving next week.
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Prize-giving next week is a whole school event and children are expected to wear their full school uniform please, including blazers. Please note the earlier timings - we begin proceedings at 5 pm. This will be a very special moment for our Year 6 leavers as the rest of the school starts their goodbyes to them and look up to them for one last time before they head off to senior school. There is a reception afterwards at the Roundthorn Country House Hotel for Year 6 and their parents and guests.

Mrs Harling our Chair of Governors has written to you for one last time in this academic year too, bringing you up to date on governor matters and plans for the future. You should receive this letter today along with this mailing.

This morning Mr White and I took Year 6 for their final leavers trip to choose their books for prizegiving. It was a lovely morning to finish their week, complete with ice creams and sunshine – what more could we want.

Don't forget to check the week ahead carefully for next week as after-school clubs are affected by various events taking place. Enjoy the last week of term, the year seems to have come to a close or too quickly!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs D Vinsome

Pre-School News

This week we have had such a busy last full week in pre-school!

We began our week by exploring our new season of summer, talking about what the weather is suppose to be like and what people do in summer. We talked about what we will be doing throughout summer and even created our own aeroplane in pre-school. The children spent lots of time in the aeroplane, packing suitcases and preparing fabulous snacks for the journey!

As well as this we have been talking about how some of us will be starting our brand-new reception classes in September, making new friends and meeting lots of new people. The pre-school leavers have been working extremely hard on some extra special surprises which they will be heading home with next week.

At the end of the week we had our last forest session of the year, which the children enjoyed exploring in the rain. We then had a lovely afternoon doing our last singing session with Mrs Wrightson and having popcorn and cookies whilst we watched a movie!

Well done pre-school!

Mrs Parker and Miss Lane

Calling all spare costumes...
If anyone has any costumes left over from the Lion King which they don't want anymore, Great Salkeld are looking for donations for their sport's day Lion king float. Please bring to Mrs Parker in pre-school. Thank you.

Parents' Group News

What a year it has been! A huge thank you to everyone who has contributed to, attended and supported our many events this year. We have raised money both for the school and for charities, and had fun in the process.

The group is always keen to add to its numbers. It is very informal in structure and there are no membership criteria; as long as you are a Hunter Hall parent or caregiver. Whether you want to offer ideas/suggestions, volunteer your time at one of our events or simply join us for a coffee and a chat, you are extremely welcome.

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 8th September 3:15-5:15
Welcome Back Disco
After a few years' hiatus, the welcome back disco returns for all pupils. A chance to reconnect after the summer holidays and celebrate returning to school. The theme is "colourful." Children need to bring their colourful party clothes to school on the first Friday back and be prepared to dance and have fun.
(If you are able to contribute to the catering by baking a few multi-coloured cupcakes, please see/message Sara Hutt .)

Friday 15th September (from 7.45 am)
Big Breakfast
An opportunity for the whole school community to come together over a bacon roll and cup of tea.

Wednesday 20th September (after drop-off)
Meet-up over Coffee
An informal pre-AGM chat over coffee (location tbc) to share ideas for upcoming events. All parents welcome.

Monday 25th September (7:00pm at school)
Annual AGM
The parents' group formal annual meeting to discuss ideas and calendar events.
All parents welcome.

HUNTER HALL PARENTS GROUP PRESENTS

Welcome Back

UV DISCO

08.09.23

3.15-5.15PM

PLEASE WEAR COLOURFUL CLOTHING + INFORM US OF ANY ALLERGIES
IF ALLERGIC TO FACE PAINT LET US KNOW!
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